

Market Assessment of Interactive Video  
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MARKET ASSESSMENT  
OF  
INTERACTIVE VIDEO TRAINING  
IN THE  
DATA PROCESSING MARKETPLACE

PHASE 2  
OF A  
CUSTOM RESEARCH STUDY

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## AGENDA

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- REVIEW OF PHASE I.
- OBJECTIVES OF PHASE 2.
- METHODOLOGY.
- RESULTS.
- ACTION ITEMS.

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## REVIEW OF PHASE I

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- OBJECTIVES
  - ASSESS PRODUCT VIABILITY.
  - IDENTIFY USER REQUIREMENTS.
- METHODOLOGY
  - DEMONSTRATION/INTERVIEWS.
  - SEVEN COMPANIES.

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## REVIEW OF PHASE I - (continued)

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- RESULTS.
  - ENGAGING PRODUCT.
  - BUT, CONCERNS...
    - INTIMIDATING SYSTEM.
    - SCORING INFORMATION.
    - PRICE.
    - ABILITY TO CUSTOMIZE.
- ISSUES.
  - TAILORING.
  - SCORING.
  - POSITIONING.
  - OFFERINGS.
  - PRICING.

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## SCOPE OF PHASE 2

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- PRODUCT ASSESSMENT.
- PERCEIVED VALUE VIS-A-VIS TRAINING NEEDS AND COMPANY REVENUE.
- PRICE ELASTICITY OF LEASE OPTIONS.
- IMPACT OF STRATEGIES ON VALUE.
  - LEARNER OPTIONS.
  - INSTRUCTOR MANAGEMENT.
  - INFORMATION ON RESULTS.
  - ON-SITE CUSTOMIZATION.

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## METHODOLOGY

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- DEVELOPED QUESTIONNAIRES.
  - ALTERNATIVE PRODUCT OR PRICING SCENARIOS.
  - IMPACT OF SCENARIOS ON PRICING.
- MADE APPOINTMENTS.
- CONDUCTED DEMONSTRATION/INTERVIEW.
- ANALYZED RESULTS.
- PRESENTATION.

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## INTERVIEWS

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- ARTHUR ANDERSEN
- CHICAGO DATA PROCESSING EDUCATORS
  - ILLINOIS BELL.
  - ALLSTATE.
  - STANDARD OIL OF INDIANA.
- CNA.
- FEDERAL RESERVE BANK.
- GIANT FOOD.
- INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.
- UNITED AIRLINES
- FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO.

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## OTHER INTERVIEWS

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- TELEPHONE, RECENT DEMONSTRATION.
  - GEISCO.
  - AETNA LIFE AND CASUALTY.
- ON-SITE, NO DEMONSTRATION.
  - ABBOTT LABORATORIES.

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## REJECTIONS

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ALLIED - VERY LITTLE DP.

BEATRICE FOODS - NO DP TRAINING

COMMONWEALTH EDISON - NO DP TRAINING

CONSOLIDATED FOODS - NO DP TRAINING

COOPERS & LYBRAND - NO FUNCTION

E.C. ERNST - TOO BUSY.

ESMARK - NO DP TRAINING

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES INSURANCE COMPANY (GEISCO) -

VERY NEW TRAINER

ILLINOIS CENTRAL INDUSTRIES - LITTLE DP TRAINING

MARRIOTT - VERY SMALL TRAINING FUNCTION (ONE PERSON)

NORTHWEST INDUSTRIES - NOT GOING IN THIS DIRECTION

ORTHO DIAGNOSTICS/JOHNSON & JOHNSON - NO DP TRAINING

RAND McNALLY - NO DP TRAINING

SEARS, ROEBUCK - INTERESTED BUT TOO BUSY

TOUCHE ROSS - NO DP TRAINING

U.S. AIR - JUST GETTING INTO CBT WITH DELTAK

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## ISSUES - PRODUCT ASSESSMENT

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- GENERAL REACTION.
  - "BEST SYSTEM I'VE SEEN."
  - "BETTER THAN PHOENIX."
  - "BETTER THAN WATCHING DELTAK."
- SUGGESTED ENHANCEMENTS.
  - USER EXIT TO OPERATING SYSTEM.
  - COMPUTER TEXT ON VIDEO.
  - ANIMATION CAPABILITY.
  - COLLECT STUDENT RESULTS ON MAINFRAME.



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## ISSUES - PRODUCT ASSESSMENT - (continued)

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- CONCERNS.
  - DELIVERY TO BRANCH OFFICES.
  - DELIVERY TO WORKSTATION WITHOUT  
MORE HARDWARE.
  - ADDED VALUE OF SOME VIDEO?
  - "PUNITIVE" NATURE OF SCORING.



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PERCEIVED VALUE AND TRAINING NEEDS  
QUALITY OF CONTENT

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	<u>LIVE</u>	<u>IVT</u>
• "FIT" WITH COMPANY'S TECHNICAL NEEDS.	1	2
• MATCH WITH STUDENTS' NEEDS.	2	1
• CONTRIBUTION TO JOB PERFORMANCE.	2	1
• MATCH WITH STUDENTS' ABILITIES.	2	1
• CURRENCY OF INFORMATION.	1	2
• ACCURACY OF INFORMATION.	1	1
• TOPICS COVERED.	2	1

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PERCEIVED VALUE AND TRAINING NEEDS  
QUALITY OF PRESENTATION

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	<u>LIVE</u>	<u>IVT</u>
• ABILITY TO MEET STUDENT NEEDS	2	1
• AMOUNT OF STUDENT CONTROL	2	1
• EXTENT OF INTERACTIVITY	1	2
• STUDENT RETENTION	1	2
• PACE OF INSTRUCTION	2	1
• PROVEN EFFECTIVENESS	1	?
• TIME SPENT IN TRAINING	2	1
• FLEXIBILITY OF PRESENTATION	1	2
• USE AS A SUPPLEMENT OR REFRESHER	2	1
• VARIETY OF INSTRUCTIONAL FORMATS	2	1
• USE OF TRAINING TECHNOLOGY	2	1

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PERCEIVED VALUE AND TRAINING NEEDS  
EASE OF ADMINISTRATION

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	<u>LIVE</u>	<u>IVT</u>
• AVAILABILITY OF COURSE.	2	1
• ABILITY TO CUSTOMIZE.	1	1
• VOLUME OF STUDENT THROUGHPUT.	1	?
• EASE OF COURSE MANAGEMENT.	1	2
• EXTENT OF FEEDBACK TO INSTRUCTOR.	2	1
• PRIOR EXPERIENCE WITH MATERIALS.	2	1

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PERCEIVED VALUE AND TRAINING NEEDS  
COST OF COURSE

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	<u>LIVE</u>	<u>IVT</u>
• COST/EFFECTIVENESS OF COURSE.	1	?
• EQUIPMENT COSTS.	1	2
• INSTALLATION (DEVELOPMENT) OF COURSE.	2	1
• COURSE PRESENTATION COSTS.	2	1
• TERMS AND CONDITIONS.	1	2

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## PERCEIVED VALUE AND LEARNER OPTIONS

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- RESPONDENTS AGREE THAT THE VARIETY OF OPTIONS IS NECESSARY BUT MAY BE THE SOURCE OF INITIAL CONFUSION.
- SOLUTIONS.
  - SOLID FRONT-END TRAINING/DOCUMENTATION.
  - SOFTWARE TO THROTTLE OPTIONS.



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## PERCEIVED VALUE AND CUSTOMIZATION

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- USERS THINK THEY HAVE UNIQUE NEEDS. CUSTOMIZATION OPTIONS PROVIDE A SOLUTION TO THIS FELT NEED.
  - MOST AGREE THAT LITTLE CUSTOMIZATION WILL BE DONE. BEYOND ADDING/DELETING TEXT SCREENS.
  - SOME VENDORS ARE TRYING TO INCREASE THIS NEED.
- UNLIKELY THAT USERS WILL PAY MUCH FOR THIS CAPABILITY.
- SOLUTION.
  - OFFER A TEXT SCREEN GENERATE AND INSERT UTILITY FOR A SMALL ADDITIONAL COST.





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## PERCEIVED VALUE AND STUDENT RESULTS

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- MOST AGREE THIS INFORMATION IS AN AID TO LEARNING.
  - SOME FEAR IT IS A THREAT THAT IMPEDES LEARNING.
- IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COMPANY TO FOLLOW PROPER TESTING AND TEST INFORMATION PROCEDURES.
- SOLUTION.
  - BE PREPARED TO REMOVE PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR SOME COMPANIES.



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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS SERVICE

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- ITS SERVICE SCENARIOS ARE GOOD.
- USERS "EXPECT" THIS SERVICE SO THEY MAY REACT TO A SERVICE CHARGE.
- SOLUTION.
  - MAY BE BEST TO BUNDLE IT AND OFFER "FREE" SERVICE.

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## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT

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- COMPANIES HAVE MICROCOMPUTER STANDARDS WHICH THIS CONFIGURATION MEETS.
  - XT<sub>s</sub> ARE POPULAR.
- CAPITAL PURCHASES REQUIRE CORPORATE APPROVAL AND JUSTIFICATION.
  - APPROVAL MAY NOT BE REQUIRED FOR SINGLE STATIONS PURCHASED OUT OF A TRAINING MATERIALS BUDGET.
  - TRIAL ARRANGEMENTS WOULD WORK THIS WAY.
- COMPANIES HAVE CORPORATE DISCOUNTS WITH IBM.
  - WILL PURCHASE PC AND COURSEWARE UNBUNDLED.





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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT - (continued)

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- APPEARS TO BE A ROADBLOCK FOR SOME COMPANIES.
  - REQUIRES JUSTIFICATION AND PROOF OF EFFECTIVENESS.
- SOLUTIONS.
  - TARGET COMPANIES WITH INSTALLED BASE.
  - DEVELOP COST JUSTIFICATION EVIDENCE.



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## TERMS & CONDITIONS LEASE

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- COURSE LEASING IS FAMILIAR AND ACCEPTABLE.
- HOWEVER, TRAINERS EXPECT COURSES TO BE MAINTAINED AND UPGRADED.
- SOLUTION.
  - EXPLAIN PURPOSE OF LEASE.
  - CONVINCE COMPANIES OF PLANS TO MAINTAIN COURSES.

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## PRICING

- REACTION TO SCENARIOS DEPENDS...
  - \$100 + LOOKS GOOD IF LIVE BUDGET IS LARGE.
  - \$80-100 IS HIGH IF PASSIVE VIDEO IS USED EXTENSIVELY.
- IN GENERAL, \$100 - 120/MODULE IS OK.
- SOLUTION.
  - BE PREPARED TO DEAL WITH COMPANIES ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS.

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## TERMS & CONDITIONS

### DISCOUNTS

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- TOO NEW TO COMMIT TO QUANTITIES.
- MOST WILL START WITH 1 STATION.
- QUANTITY DISCOUNTS WOULD NOT BE ATTRACTIVE NOW.
- SOLUTION.
  - OFFER DISCOUNTS FOR THOSE WHO BUY IN QUANTITY BUT DON'T USE A SALES STRATEGY.
  - OFFER A BUY-IN FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.





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PERCEIVED VALUE  
CONCLUSIONS

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- VALUE OF ITS PRODUCT IS HIGH...
  - COMPARED TO GOALS.
  - COMPARED TO ALTERNATIVES.
- NO ISSUE SUBTRACTS SIGNIFICANTLY FROM VALUE.
- HOWEVER...

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PERCEIVED VALUE

CONCLUSIONS - (continued)

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- NO PREMIUM ON EFFECTIVENESS FROM MIS.
- THROUGHPUT IS IMPORTANT.
- "EXPOSURE" IS MAJOR CRITERION.
  - LIVE IS PERCEIVED AS MOST EFFECTIVE.
  - PASSIVE VIDEO IS PERCEIVED AS LEAST EXPENSIVE.
- DESIRE IS FOR A PRODUCT...
  - AS EFFECTIVE AS LIVE...
  - AT THE COST OF VIDEO.



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PERCEIVED VALUE

CONCLUSIONS - (continued)

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- ONLY REMAINING TURF...
  - MORE EFFECTIVE THAN VIDEO.
  - LESS EXPENSIVE THAN LIVE.
  - MORE EFFICIENT THAN EITHER.

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## ACTION ITEMS

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- ESTABLISH A LIBRARY OF COURSES.
  - JOINT DEVELOPMENT ARRANGEMENTS.
  - EXISTING VENDORS.
    - DOWN PLAY ASSOCIATION.
    - CONSIDER END USER VENDORS.
- ENSURE ADDED VALUE OF VIDEO.

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## ACTION ITEMS - (continued)

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- DEVELOP CUSTOMIZATION OPTIONS.
  - FULL CUSTOM TRAINING SERVICE.
  - COMPLETE AUTHORIZING CAPABILITY.
  - LIMITED AUTHORIZING CAPABILITY.
- DEVELOP LIMITED RESULTS VERSIONS.
  - SOFTWARE SOLUTION TO SELECT OPTIONS.



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## ACTION ITEMS - (continued)

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- DEVELOP RESPONSE TO DELIVERY MACHINE ISSUE.
  - USE WITH EXISTING WORKSTATION.
    - BEST TO LEARN CONCEPTS IN LEARNING ENVIRONMENT.
    - BENEFIT OF VIDEO.
  - USE IN BRANCH LOCATIONS.
    - FACILITATIVE PACKAGING.
    - CONSISTENCY OF CONTENT.
    - NETWORKS
- PRICING.
  - DEVELOP SALES TOOLS FOR EXPLAINING PRICES OF ALTERNATIVES.
  - DEVELOP ALGORITHM FOR EFFICIENCY INDEX.



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## TRAINING OVERVIEW - ABBOTT LABORATORIES

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- DP TRAINING.
  - 350 MIS EMPLOYEES PLUS RESPONSIBILITY FOR END USERS.
  - \$1.5 M TRAINING BUDGET.
    - 750 EMPLOYEES TRAINED PER YEAR.
    - \$150K SPENT IN OUTSIDE TRAINING.
  - TRAINING APPROACHES.
    - 80% LIVE.
    - DELTAK CONTRACT BUT DON'T LIKE MATERIALS.
    - HAVE USED PLATO.
  - REACTION.
    - VERY INTERESTED IN INTERACTIVE VIDEO BUT HAVE NOT SEEN ANYTHING THEY LIKE.
    - TRAINING SHOULD BE DELIVERED VIA WORKSTATION.
    - INTEREST IN MAINFRAME-BASED SYSTEM.
- POTENTIAL: HIGH.

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## TRAINING OVERVIEW - ARTHUR ANDERSEN

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- PROFESSIONAL TRAINING CENTER.
  - 23K EMPLOYEES TRAINED PER YEAR.
  - 650 TRAINING EMPLOYEES.
  - 28 VIDEO PRODUCTION EMPLOYEES.
  - VERY ACTIVE IN ALTERNATIVE DELIVERY SYSTEMS.
  - 1500 IBM-PCs INSTALLED AND WILL DOUBLE IN TWO YEARS.
  - LARGE NEED FOR END USER AND OFFICE AUTOMATION TRAINING.
- REACTION.
  - VERY IMPRESSED WITH SYSTEM.
    - GOOD GRAPHICS.
    - "EXPERT SYSTEM" FOR RESPONSE JUDGING.
  - WOULD LIKE TO SEE:
    - ANIMATION CAPABILITY.
    - FASTER PACED MATERIAL.
    - COURSES RELATED TO PROJECT MANAGEMENT.
    - PURCHASE AGREEMENT RATHER THAN LEASE.
    - COMPUTER TEXT ON VIDEO.
    - USER EXIT TO DOS.
- POTENTIAL: VERY GOOD FOR CUSTOM.





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## TRAINING OVERVIEW - CNA INSURANCE

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- DP TRAINING.
  - 600-800 STUDENTS/YEAR TAKING 40 COURSES.
  - \$250K BUDGET, INCLUDING 8 TRAINERS.
  - 50% LIVE.
  - SOME IIS FOR INSURANCE COURSES.
  - \$50K SPENT ON COURSES. 50% TO DELTAK. SAS VIDEO USED.
  - STILL IN A REACTIVE MODE.
  - VERY UNHAPPY WITH CURRENT VIDEO BECAUSE OF QUALITY.
- REACTIONS.
  - "HAS POTENTIAL TO BE BETTER THEN LIVE."
  - GOOD INTERACTIVITY AND RESPONSE TIME.
  - APPROPRIATE FOR MANY COURSES BUT VIDEO MUST ADD SOMETHING.
  - MUST COLLECT STUDENT INFORMATION ON MAINFRAME.
- POTENTIAL.
  - FAIR.
  - MUST SHOW BENEFITS.
  - WOULD NEED A "STARTER SET" PRICING STRUCTURE.



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## TRAINING OVERVIEW - FEDERAL RESERVE

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- DP TRAINING.
  - 60% LIVE. END USER TRAINING IS ALL LIVE.
  - PLANS TO PROPOSE IIS OR PHOENIX IN 1984.
    - WANTS A MAINFRAME SYSTEM BECAUSE OF NETWORK.
    - OFFICE AUTOMATION GROUP HAS 50 IBM-PCs
  - LARGE EDUTRONICS USER.
- REACTION.
  - "VERY NICE." "BEST SYSTEM I'VE SEEN."
  - MUST BE GEARED TO ACTUAL SYSTEMS IN USE.
  - WOULD WANT TO CUSTOMIZE SOME COURSES.
  - GOOD FOR RECORDKEEPING.
  - NOT A GOOD SYSTEM FOR ADVANCED COURSES BECAUSE OF VOLUME AND PACE.
- POTENTIAL.
  - FAIR. NEED TO SHOW ADVANTAGES OVER MAINFRAME CBT.
  - EXPENSE OF EQUIPMENT MAY BE A PROBLEM.



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## TRAINING OVERVIEW - GIANT FOODS

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- TRAINING ORGANIZATION
  - 1 DP TRAINER FOR STAFF OF 300 DP.
    - \$100K BUDGET.
    - 60% LIVE.
    - USES DELTAK AND ASI.
    - IS TRYING PHOENIX (\$250/MO.).
  - CORPORATE TRAINING HAS RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL ASPECTS OF SUPERMARKET TRAINING (POS TERMINALS, DISPLAY, SERVICE)
- REACTION.
  - MUST HAVE A GOOD MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WITH ABILITY TO CONTROL FLOW OF COURSES.
  - "BETTER THAN PHOENIX."
  - REQUIRES ADDITIONAL HARDWARE THAT IS HARD TO GET APPROVED.
  - PRICE (\$120) IS TOO HIGH.
  - PROVIDING TEST INFORMATION IS A PLUS.
- POTENTIAL.
  - VERY GOOD, ESPECIALLY FOR CUSTOM TRAINING IN CORPORATE.

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## TRAINING OVERVIEW - INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

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- TRAINING.
  - ALL TRAINING IS CENTRALIZED.
  - USE PLATO, IIS, ACCESS (UNIVAC).
  - EDUTRONICS CUSTOMER.
- REACTION.
  - NOT SURE OF COST EFFECTIVENESS.
  - SOME CUSTOMIZATION IS NECESSARY.
  - VIDEO MUST ADD SOMETHING.
  - NO NEED FOR SCORING INFORMATION.
- POTENTIAL.
  - UNKNOWN, BUT A LARGE ORGANIZATION.
  - NEED A SYSTEM TO TRAIN AT BRANCH OFFICES.
  - GOOD POTENTIAL FOR CUSTOM.





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## TRAINING OVERVIEW - STANDARD OIL OF INDIANA

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- DP TRAINING.
  - 100 COURSES TAKEN BY 5,000 STUDENTS.
  - \$1.4M BUDGET WITH 10 TRAINEES.
  - 80% LIVE.
  - \$50K SPENT ON PURCHASED/LEASED COURSES.
  
- REACTION.
  - IMPRESSED WITH SYSTEM, BETTER THAN VIDEO.
  - TOO EXPENSIVE BECAUSE OF HARDWARE.
  - MUST HAVE A GOOD LIBRARY.
  - MUST SHOW BENEFIT OF INTERACTIVITY.
  - VIDEODISKS WILL BE A PROBLEM UNTIL THEY CAN RECORD.
  - "BECAUSE IT'S TWICE AS EXPENSIVE, IT MUST BE FOUR TIMES AS GOOD" TO BE CONSIDERED.
  - CUSTOMIZATION AND SCORING INFORMATION AND GOOD FEATURES.
  
- LOW BECAUSE OF COST.



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## TRAINING OVERVIEW - UNITED AIRLINES

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- DP TRAINING.
  - THREE GROUPS (SYSTEMS, OPERATIONS, END USERS) WITH SEPARATE TRAINERS. (0, 11, 3 RESPECTIVELY).
  - MOSTLY LIVE, BUT SOME VIDEO AND CAI (IIS).
  - VERY FEW PCs USED IN TRAINING.
- REACTIONS.
  - "BETTER THAN WATCHING DELTAK."
  - "VERY INTERESTING PRODUCT."
  - SCORING IS TOO DETAILED AND PUNITIVE, BETTER TO ENCOURAGE, STORE ONLY AGGREGATE INFORMATION.
- POTENTIAL.
  - LOW BECAUSE OF HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS (FINANCIAL AREAS ARE GETTING ALL THE PCs).
  - INTEREST IN CUSTOMIZATION.
  - WOULD WANT 30 DAY FREE TRIAL.



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